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**ENFORCEMENT BUREAU FINES FLORIDA MAN \$10,000
FOR MARKETING UNAUTHORIZED RADIO EQUIPMENT**

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Today, the Enforcement Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission issued a Forfeiture Order imposing a \$10,000 forfeiture against Leslie D. Brewer and his company, Leslie D. Brewer's 2-Way Radio. The fine was imposed for the sale of an unauthorized FM radio transmitter in willful violation of Sections 2.803(a)(1) and 15.201(b) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 2.803(a)(1), and 15.201(b). Mr. Brewer sold a fully assembled, 20-watt transmitter capable of operating in the FM frequency band to an undercover Commission agent. The transmitter was not authorized by the Commission, and had no FCC identifier number affixed to it.

Mr. Brewer was previously involved in the operation of an unauthorized "pirate" FM radio station operating on 102.1 MHz in the Tampa, Florida area, "Tampa's Party Pirate." This unauthorized radio station was the subject of an in rem seizure conducted by the U.S. Marshal's Service and agents of the Commission on November 19, 1997. The U.S District Court for

the Middle District of Florida, Tampa Division, recently upheld the validity of that seizure.

Action by the Chief, Enforcement Bureau, March 3, 2000, by Forfeiture Order (DA 00-475).

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